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John Breaux Vice Chairman The President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform 1440 New York Avenue, N.W., Suite 2100 Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Mr. Breaux:

I want to encourage your efforts at income tax reform, and suggest that <u>everything</u> should be considered – <u>including the mortgage interest and charitable deductions</u>.

The unproductive activity mandated by the current system is ridiculous. Think of all the good things that could be done with all that wasted time and money.

By the way, those "scared" deductions impact me significantly – I run a mortgage company, have a large mortgage on my home, and donate a six-figure sum to charities each year.

This should be about doing what's right, not about seeing how I can keep my benefits at the expense of others.

You have my support.

Sincerely,

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